



IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re the application of:) CONFIRMATION NO.: 9133
Mike FARWICK, et al.) Examiner: Kerr, K.
App. No.: 09/963,790) Group Art Unit: 1652
Filed: September 27, 2001)

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AMENDMENT

Commissioner for Patents P.O. Box 1450 Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

Sir:

A response to the Office Action dated November 18, 2004 is due by February 18, 2005. Therefore, please accept this Amendment as timely filed and fully responsive.

In response to the Office Action dated November 18, 2004, kindly amend the above-identified patent application as follows.